**CASE 2131US** 

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Hamer L. et al.

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METHODS FOR THE IDENTIFICATION OF INHIBITORS OF

3-ISOPROPYLMALATE DEHYDRATASE AS ANTIBIOTICS

Mail Stop Amendment **Commissioner for Patents** Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action dated 20 May 2003 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on 20 August 2003. A two-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0885 in the name of Paradigm Genetics, Inc., in the amount of \$210 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is herein enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 50-0885 in the name of Paradigm Genetics, Inc.

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